

CONCORDIA

STINGERS

Nov. 18, 2002

Stingers open cage season with doubleheader vs. McGill

The Concordia Stinger basketball teams will play their QSSF home-openers this Friday night in the Concordia gym on the Loyola campus.

The women's team comes off a tough preseason schedule that saw the Stingers play five games versus CIS Top 10 teams. Concordia defeated No. 9 Manitoba and played No. 3 Memorial tough three times. Head coach Keith Pruden hopes the strong competition will have his team ready for the grind of the QSSF conference.

"We are a fairly small team, in that we only have one player over six foot," he says of his team's season outlook. "Against bigger squads we are going to have to rely on our quickness and overall athletic ability, which are excellent. We graduated our two leading scorers from last year Kristina Steinfort and Marie-Pier Veilleux, and I am not sure yet whether we are going to have a smaller number of consistent scorers like those two, or a lot of people who will contribute in different games."

The Stingers will look to veteran forwards Jennifer Neill and Rosie Douglas for leadership. Guards M.J. Raposo and Pascale Morin are the leading scorers in the preseason.

The Stingers finished the 2001-'02 season in second place in the QSSF with a 9-6 record. The McGill Martlets, who the Stingers face Friday at 6 p.m., posted a 4-11 record last season, finishing in third place.

The men's team comes off the preseason with a 4-4 record. The Stingers will look to all-star guard Philippe Langlois to lead the Stingers through the QSSF schedule. He had an outstanding preseason. He was named MVP at the Concordia tournament and was an all-star at the Wilfrid Laurier and Winnipeg tournaments. He averaged 11 points and six assists a game in the preseason.

Concordia finished the 2001-'02 season in last place with a 2-13 record. The McGill Redmen, who tip off against the Stingers at 8 p.m. on Friday, finished tied in first place with a 12-3 record.

Hockey's Chris Page takes aims at OUA scoring leaders

Left wing Chris Page of the men's hockey team has slowly been moving up the leaders' ranks in OUA scoring this season. The Drummondville, Que., native has scored 11 goals and five assists in nine games for 16 points and is in sixth spot in OUA scoring.

With 11 goals, Page is the top goal scorer in the OUA. UQTR's Alexandre Tremblay also has 11 goals. The next in line is Wilfrid Laurier's Kevin Corso with nine goals. The Laurier forward is fifth in conference scoring with 17 points. Page and Corso will square off this weekend when the Stingers travel to Waterloo, Ont., on Sunday to play the Golden Hawks.

Head coach Kevin Figsby says Page's production went up when he moved from centre to left wing earlier this fall. He's thrilled with Page's scoring and also credits the history major with emerging as a strong leader this season.

Also rolling up big numbers is captain Patrice Roy with two goals and 13 assists for 15 points. He is eighth in OUA scoring.

Concordia Athletes of the Week

Janie Brassard of the women's hockey team and **Chris Page** of the men's hockey team have been named Concordia Stinger athletes of the week for the period ending Nov. 17.

Brassard, a rookie left wing, scored a hat trick in Concordia's 20-1 win over the Carleton Ravens last Friday. All her goals were even strength. She also collected one assist. The Hull, Que., native is first-year leisure sciences major.

Page, a native of Drummondville, Que., collected three goals and three assists for six points in two games on the weekend. In a loss to York on Saturday, the left wing scored a short-handed goal and added two assists. In a critical 4-3 victory over Guelph on Sunday, he scored two goals (including the game winner) and added one assist. The six points puts him among the scoring leaders in the OUA. Page is a third-year history major.

Coming Events

Friday, Nov. 22

Women's Basketball	McGill vs. Concordia	6 p.m.
Men's Basketball	McGill vs. Concordia	8 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 23

Women's Hockey	Concordia @ York (game played in Toronto)	4 p.m.
Men's Hockey	Concordia @ Brock	7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 24

Women's Hockey	Concordia @ Toronto	5:30 p.m.
Men's Hockey	Concordia @ Laurier	2 p.m.

Men's Hockey (4-4-1 in OUA, 6-6-1 overall)

Nov. 16	York Yeomen 7	Concordia Stingers 4
	Chris Page	1 goal, 2 assists
	Luc Messier	1 goal, 1 assist
	Phil Paris	1 goal
	Phil Parent	1 goal
Nov. 17	Concordia Stingers 4	Guelph Gryphons 3
	Chris Page	2 goals, 1 assist
	Luc Messier	1 goal, 1 assist
	Phil Parent	1 goal

Women's Hockey (5-2 in QSSF, 8-2-1 overall, ranked No. 5 in CIS)

Nov. 15	Concordia Stingers 20	Carleton Ravens 1
	Janie Brassard	3 goals, 1 assist
	Kelly Sudia	1 goal, 4 assists
	Sue Kaye	2 goals, 2 assists
	Christiane Gauthier	10 saves, 11 shots

Men's Basketball (0-1 in QSSE, 4-5 overall)

Nov. 16	Laval Rouge et Or 93	Concordia Stingers 83
	Rastko Popovic	23 points, 2 rebounds
	Patrick Perrotte	16 points, 6 rebounds

Women's Basketball (0-1 in QSSE, 2-7 overall)

Nov. 16	Laval Rouge et Or 85	Concordia Stingers 36
	M.J. Raposo	9 points, 2 rebounds

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